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In re Application of

Diwakar R. Govindugari, et. al.

Application No. 10/635,891

Filed: August 5, 2003

Attorney Docket No. N/A

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on July 31, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the non-final Office action mailed November 7, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on June 8, 2006.

A grantable petition to revive an abandoned application under 37 CFR 1.137(b) must be accompanied by: (1) the required reply (unless previously filed), which may met by the filing of a continuing application in a nonprovisional application abandoned for failure to prosecute, but must be the payment of the issue fee or any outstanding balance thereof in an application or patent, abandoned or lapsed for failure to pay the issue fee or any portion thereof; (2) the petition fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(m); (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional; and (4) a terminal disclaimer (and fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d)). This petition lacks item (3) above.

Since the statement of unintentional delay is signed by one of two inventors, it cannot be accepted at this time. 37 CFR 1.33(b) states:

Amendments and other papers filed in the application must be signed by:

- (1) An attorney or agent of record appointed in compliance with § 1.34(b);
- (2) A registered attorney or agent not of record who acts in a representative capacity under the provisions of § 1.34(a);
 (3) The assignee of record of the entire interest, if there is an assignee of
- record of the entire interest:

(4) An assignee of record of an undivided part interest, and any assignee(s) of the remaining interest and any applicant retaining an interest, if there is an assignee of record of an undivided part interest; or

(5) All of the applicants (§§ 1.42. 1.43 and 1.47) for patent, unless there is an assignee of record of the entire interest and such assignee has taken action in the application in accordance with §§ 3.71 and 3.73.

If the instant petition is signed or submitted on behalf of the assignee, the assignee must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR 3.73(b). 37 CFR 3.73(b) provides that: (1) when an assignee seeks to take action in a matter before the Office, the assignee must establish its ownership of the property to the satisfaction of the Commissioner; (2) ownership is established by submitting to the Office, in the Office file related to the matter in which action is sought to be taken, documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee (e.g., copy of an executed assignment submitted for recording) or by specifying (e.g., reel and frame number) where such evidence is recorded in the Office; (3) the submission establishing ownership must be signed by a party authorized to act on behalf of the assignee; and (4) documents submitted to establish ownership may be required to be recorded as a condition to permitting the assignee to take action in a matter pending before the Office. A blank Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed with this decision.

Additionally, an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$1,080 extension of time on July 31, 2006 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be refunded to petitioner by Treasury Check, in due course.

Any request for reconsideration must be submitted within **TWO (2) MONTHS** from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." Petitioner is advised that this is **not** a final agency decision.

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Blank Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b)

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